

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**In re the Application of: **SAITO, et al.**

Group Art Unit: 3729

Serial No.: **09/621,138**Examiner: **TUGBANG, Anthony D.**Filed: **July 20, 2000**For. **GROMMET WATER-PROOFING METHOD AND WIRE-HARNESS  
LOOSENING JIG****PROPOSED****RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR §1.116  
- EXPEDITED RESPONSE -  
GROUP ART UNIT 3729****BOX AF**Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **June 13, 2002**, extended to **October 13, 2002** by a  
one (1) month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as  
follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please amend Claim 7, as follows:

7. (Twice Amended) A wire harness loosening jig in combination with a wire harness  
comprising:

a base plate;

a fixing-side clamping portion on the base plate having a first pair of clamps for clamping  
one end of a wire harness;